

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 3, 5, and new claim 6 as follows:

C1 1. (Twice Amended) A method for providing an extensible macro language comprising:

analyzing a macro language expression;

determining based on a predetermined syntax of a macro language, one or more keywords in the analyzed macro language expression, the keyword representing a macro initially unknown to the macro language;

retrieving a code of instructions associated with the keyword from a registry of keywords; and

executing the code of instructions associated with the keyword.

C2 3. (Twice Amended) A system for providing an extensible macro language, comprising:

a parser having a predefined syntax to determine one or more extended keywords embedded within a macro language expression, the extended keyword representing a new command initially unknown to a macro language;

a keyword repository having one or more keywords and one or more associated codes; and

a macro handler coupled to the parser for receiving the extended keyword from the parser, the macro handler in response to the received extended keyword, retrieving a code of

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and

instructions associated with the received extended keyword from the keyword repository and executing the code of instructions to run the macro command represented by the extended keyword.

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5. (Twice Amended) A method for parsing a macro language expression, comprising:

analyzing a macro language expression;

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determining based on a predetermined syntax of a macro language, one or more keywords in the analyzed macro language expression, the one or more keywords representing one or more new macro commands initially unknown to a macro language; and

searching a registry of keywords for a code of instructions to execute, the code of instructions associated with the one or more keywords.

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6. (New) The method for providing an extensible macro language as claimed in claim 1, wherein the code includes machine operable instructions.

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, claims 1-5 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,737,592 ("Nguyen et al."). Nguyen et al. appears to disclose a method and apparatus for executing SQL queries in a relational database management system via the World Wide Web